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# Reds' 'No Bargaining' On Peace Point No. 1 Creates New Pessimism

**Old Salt Does Washing**

## MR PENG CHAO-HSIEN NO LONGER A DELEGATE

Shanghai, Jan. 25.—The Chinese Red radio broadcast, in which a spokesman of the Communist Party made it plain that there would be no bargaining on Mao Tze-tung's No. 1 peace point—punishment of "war criminals"—today sent hopes of the government's top peacemakers diving to a new low.

One leading figure told the United Press: "Speaking frankly, it is too late to start talking peace."

At the same time, Shao Li-tze, head man of the government's five-man peace delegation, in an interview with the United Press, said: "I did not have time to study the text of the Chinese Red broadcast with all its implications, so I cannot comment. But in overall peace efforts the important thing to remember is that the government makes the final decisions. But after having glanced through this statement I still have hopes that the Communists will make an early announcement as to the place where negotiations should be started. The Communists themselves should devote more attention to alleviating and ending the suffering of the people of China instead of placing the accent on war criminals."

The Communist radiocast, referring to the government's announced hopes of winning Red concessions on the "war criminals" point, bluntly stated that instead of reducing the number of names on the list they are going to add to it. It was true, the Communist broadcast said, that the Communists are willing to negotiate with government peacemakers, but at the same time it said that "no reactionaries" would be allowed in the new government to be created by the Political Consultative Conference.

The broadcast's effects on the government's peace campaign were summed up by one peacemaker: "There was general agreement between groups of people we contacted that there is a very wide gap between the Kuomintang and the Communist Party and it will be very difficult to narrow the gap. Some still believe that it can be done. But speaking frankly, it is too late to start talking peace."

The latest Chinese Red reaction was considered to be the toughest. Shao said, "The wording of this broadcast and the conditions it imposes on the government in a difficult situation. I cannot predict what the government reaction will be. Personally I still hope for peace for a long time. But peace needs strong support—the support of all people in the country. There is a strong attitude among some government officials that the Chinese Red Party will continue to demand nothing less than complete surrender."

### NOT ENCOURAGED

Shao said that if the Executive Yuan interprets the new set of conditions as unacceptable "then I have

no choice but to resign as a peace delegate. But I personally hope that the government, even after seeing this new Communist broadcast, will not immediately halt peace efforts, but will continue to seek a new avenue."

Shao was not even encouraged by an implication in the broadcast that peace talks might possibly be held in Peiping within a few days. He pointed out the fact that the war criminals' condition is the biggest stumbling block.

### DECLINES APPOINTMENT

Nanking, Jan. 26.—Mr. Peng Chao-hsien has declined his appointment to the Nationalist five-man peace delegation. It was learned authoritatively here last night.

According to an earlier Communist North Shensi radio broadcast, he was unacceptable for the negotiations because he belonged to the Kuomintang "CC" clique. The Government was expected to choose a replacement today.

The consensus of comment in Kuomintang circles last night was that the Communist reply to President Li Tsung-jen's proposals was that a revised peace delegation should fly to Peiping as soon as possible.

Foreign observers thought that a delay is likely to be caused over the Communist announcement of a further "war criminals" list might mean the Communist armies would have time to take Nanking before the peace talks get under way.

### NEW NOMINEE

Shanghai, Jan. 26.—Mr. Mo Tzu-hui, Manchurian civil leader, has agreed to replace Mr. Peng Chao-hsien on the Nationalist five-man peace delegation. It is reported that Li Tsung-jen, according to reports current here this morning.

Mr. Mo, who enjoys considerable popularity among Kuomintang Liberals, is a non-partisan.

### HUPEH FIGHTING

Hankow, Jan. 26.—Fighting has broken out in the vicinity of Miecheng, a Hupeh town about 70 miles northeast of Hankow, according to reports reaching Hankow today.

The reports state that Communist forces have advanced from the Anhwei-Honan border region and have been engaged by Nationalist garrison troops outside Miecheng.

### SOUTHWARD MOVE

Nanking, Jan. 25.—A Foreign Ministry spokesman today announced that the Foreign Ministry has sent identical notes to all Embassies and Legations in Nanking notifying them of the government decision to move "southwards." He said that the move is a small-scale move.

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## Palestine Armistice Talks Suspended

### DELEGATES SEEKING NEW INSTRUCTIONS

Rhodes, Jan. 25.—The Israeli and Egyptian delegations to the Rhodes armistice talks suspended all formal and informal negotiations today as their special envoys flew to Tel-Aviv and Cairo for new instructions.

Observers said the present lull might lead either to renewed talks towards the end of the week, or to a complete breakdown of the negotiations, despite yesterday's official declaration that the acting Mediator, Dr. Ralph Bunche, had straightened out "serious difficulties."

If the talks were to break down, the cause would be the same as before, these sources said—the Egyptian insistence that the Security Council's November 4 resolution should be the basis for negotiation, and—the Israeli contention that the present military situation is the only realistic guide.

Should the talks be resumed, observers believe, the atmosphere would be more promising than before because each side would know more exactly the other's attitude.

Dr. Bunche was faced with the problem of co-ordinating his task at Rhodes with the United Nations Conciliation Commission, now beginning work in Jerusalem and whose sphere is likely to overlap the acting Mediator's.

### TO THE POLLS

In Israel today, early voters went to the polls in brilliant sunshine for the young State's first general election to select 120 members of the National Assembly from 1,281 candidates.

Several polling booths opened their doors early in the morning with long queues already outside. Favourable weather combined with a national holiday were expected to improve the chances of the Premier, Mr. David Ben Gurion, of the Labour Party, the MAPAI, retaining control of the Government.

Mr. Ben Gurion was one of the first voters at Tel-Aviv polling booth. His party was expected to gain from 30 to 35 percent of the total vote.

**TERRORISTS' CAMPAIGN**  
The strong anti-British campaign of the Stern and Irgun Zvai Leumi terrorist movements appeared to have produced a big turnout in the poorer districts, their traditional headquarters.

Their extreme rightwing propaganda, aimed at showing the present Government as the "agent" of Britain, seemed to be bearing results.

Religious parties, who are particularly strong in Jerusalem, turned out in strength for early voting. Prayers to "save the State from heretics" were offered in some synagogues by Jews who believed that a State not founded on religion is bound to perish.

Apart from a few demonstrations—mainly by Communists and terrorists—the first hours of the election passed off without incident in Tel-Aviv. Reports from other parts of the country indicate that all was quiet.—Reuter.

### RECOGNITION DELAY

London, Jan. 25.—Formal announcement of Britain's recognition of Israel was delayed today by consultations with the Dominions, other countries of the Western Union and the Arab states.

The Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, will tell the House of Commons tomorrow in the debate on Palestine why recognition has been withheld so long and why the Cabinet has finally decided to grant it. However, an official announcement is now unlikely until the end of the week, possibly after the meeting of the Western Union Foreign Ministers which opens here on Thursday.—United Press.

### LONDON DISCUSSIONS

The Hague, Jan. 25.—The five Western Union Foreign Ministers will discuss the question of the recognition of Israel when they meet in London on Friday and Saturday, it was learned here today.

Dutch sources believed that they might make a decision on formal recognition and make a joint announcement. The Netherlands Government's own attitude did not yet appear settled although it was felt that it would probably conform to any decision taken by the other four powers—Britain, France, Belgium and Luxembourg.

One of the Dutch problems about Israel's recognition is that the majority of the Indonesians are believed to have made it clear that they do not favour Israel being recognised while the present dispute between Israel and the Arab States exists.

Dr. D. U. Sikkier, the Dutch Foreign Minister, is expected to leave for London by boat on Wednesday night.—Reuter.

### FRENCH EXPLANATION

Paris, Jan. 25.—The French Foreign Minister, M. Robert Schuman announced today that French de facto recognition of Israel was based on a two-point agreement fixing indemnities for damages to French property in Israel and the status of French establishments there.

He was giving the Council of Ministers details of the de facto recognition announced yesterday.—Reuter.

Aneren, member of a chimpanzee act with Bertram Mills Circus in London, demonstrates that he can do one of the most important chores of a sailor. Left: Aneren, all set for the wash day operation, checks visibility through port hole of washer. Centre: He takes suit from the machine. Right: Chimp hangs suit on line.

## Rescuing Snowbound Livestock

### BIG OPERATION IN WESTERN U.S.

Chicago, Jan. 25.—Air force planes, army bulldozers, trucks and foot parties were pressed into the battle to save snow-bound livestock in the Western United States yesterday. The rescue operation was one of the most widespread of its kind that was ever attempted.

Meanwhile, new cold, snow, sleet and floods hit various sections.

In Washington, a U.S. Senate Committee approved a \$750,000 emergency fund to finance the rescue work in Nevada, Utah, Wyoming, South Dakota and sections of North Dakota. Legislature considered a Dakota legislature considered a \$100,000 special disaster fund.

A thick blanket of snow that trapped more than 10,000 range cattle and more than 1,000,000 sheep extended from Western California to the Dakotas.

Winter temperatures skidded to more than 40 degrees below zero Fahrenheit in parts of Wyoming and Montana. Carlin, Nevada, reported 57 degrees below zero as the coldest spot in the country.—Associated Press.



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### EDITORIAL

## Bevin's Palestine Policy

THE announcement that the British Cabinet has decided to extend some sort of recognition to the State of Israel probably de facto permits Mr. Bevin to face his critics in the House of Commons today with complete confidence. In fact, the strictures which have already been levelled at the Foreign Secretary for his Palestine policy, and which Mr. Winston Churchill has given notice he will repeat today with all the force of oratory at his command, have been deprived of much of their sting by this latest decision of the Cabinet. Mr. Bevin's severest critics maintain that his handling of the Palestine crisis has been characterised by lack of definite policy, but the accusation is hardly fair. Mr. Bevin has certainly indulged in some manoeuvring which has been mistaken in some quarters as vacillation, but there has been discernible a consistent line of endeavour which has been to try and make the United States conscious of the necessity for her to accept a proper measure of responsibility in the settling of the Arab-Israeli dispute. Anglo-American unity has already been established in several important undertakings, such as the Marshall Plan, the Western Union and the proposed North Atlantic Treaty. It is true that this is so stands very largely on the credit of Mr. Bevin who has constantly indicated his appreciation of the necessity for this singleness of purpose between the two great nations. By the same token it has been made apparent that the Foreign

Secretary is convinced that only by applying the same technique of unity in dealing with Middle East problems can they be peacefully and satisfactorily resolved. Furthermore, it can be fairly claimed that British policy in Palestine, despite the casuistry it has received from numerous quarters, has been motivated by four fundamental designs, all of them honourable. It has strove steadily to localise the conflict, to bring it as quickly as possible to an end, to secure an agreed settlement which has some chance of lasting peacefully, and to uphold the authority of the United Nations. And the decision to accept the reality of the Jewish State is in no sense a repudiation of any of these four principles. But it must have the effect of encouraging the United States to help hasten a Middle Eastern settlement by recognising the need to mollify the Arabs and to assuage their fears of later Jewish expansion by a firm guarantee of whatever frontiers are now to be drawn. The task of securing some workable settlement remains, and it is not rendered any easier by the uncompromising attitude of both Jews and Arabs at the Rhodes armistice discussions. Nevertheless the moment has arrived for it to be shown that Britain and the United States can achieve the one of outlook which has always been a condition of lasting peace in the Middle East. The British Government is about to offer tangible evidence that it is willing to go a full half-way in order to realise this unity.



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## WOMANSENSE

## Air-Weight Coat



By PRUNELLA WOOD

IT has been so long since this department has seen a camel's hair coat of the cloud-like softness which made them treasures in fashion history, that words are rusty to describe the model sketched here. Indeed, nine out of ten women seeing the words "Camel's hair coat," would automatically suppose them to refer to a polo coat, with some proportion of camel hair in the wool fabric.

The coat shown here, however, is really camel, natural

tan, on the outside, scarlet plaid on the under-side, the two sides woven together that way. It is warm and soft, is weighed in ounces not pounds, and is cut both long and perfectly straight. A wonderful traveller, a wonderful throw-on for donkey's years in any wardrobe.

MORE SLEEP  
FOR THE  
SCHOOLCHILDBy CARRY CLEVELAND  
MYERS, Ph.D.When a Cough  
PersistsBy HERMAN N. BUNDESEN,  
M.D.

COUGHING can be a very troublesome condition, especially at this season of the year. Therefore, it behooves all of us to know what causes this condition.

Coughing is caused by irritation of the lining membrane of the respiratory tract, which starts with the nose and mouth and extends to the ends of the air tubes of the lungs. The irritation may be caused by cold air, irritating gases, or any respiratory infection. The coughing may be brought on, however, by disturbances in other parts of the body, such as the lymph glands under the breast bone, by heart disorders, and any condition affecting the lining membrane of the chest cavity. Pressure on certain nerves running from the larynx or voice-box, due to enlargement of the large blood vessel coming from the heart, is responsible for a brassy cough.

## Helpful Suggestions

The first thing to do when a cough is present is to have a thorough examination made so that the exact cause may be determined and eliminated if possible. There are, however, many suggestions for the management of a cough which may be helpful.

Bed rest may cause the coughing to become less frequent; sometimes the cough will disappear entirely. The air should be warm and moist. Hot, dry air may provoke and prolong the cough.

Treatment of a cough with medicines is also helpful. Sedatives or quieting drugs are often employed at the beginning, but of course these must be employed only as the physician directs. Later, drugs which stimulate the secretions and "loosen" the cough may be employed. All sources of irritation, such as smoking, should be eliminated.

Drugs which can be used to stimulate the secretion formation include ammonium chloride, sodium citrate, and such things as oil of turpentine, pine, and anise.

Of course, when infection is responsible for the cough, treatment with the sulfonamide drugs and penicillin is often found useful. The physician will decide when these preparations are required and will prescribe them in the proper dose.

## Own Accord

Not many children will choose on their own accord a bed time hour early enough. Wise parents regulate such matters. The older the child, of course, the more difficult would be for his parents to effect a proper bed time hour for him.

Nevertheless, there is far more jawing, fussing and arguing with the child of eight or ten over going to bed than with the adolescent, as a rule. The chief reason is that, instead of working out such regulations to be observed automatically, most parents tell the child each and every night when to go to bed and keep on telling him until he goes.

Assuming that you have a reasonable amount of self-control and have established in your child—say he is ten—a reasonable amount of regard for your authority, do as follows: Tell him he needs eleven hours of sleep and have him figure out when his bedtime will, therefore, have to be.

It might be helpful to him if you would remind him on the first few evenings, of the hour about fifteen minutes before it. Give this reminder just once in a normal tone as mere information. But make up your mind to do no jawing.

The first time he fails to be in bed with his lights off at the designated hour (allowing about ten minutes' grace, always a definite amount of time), tell him just once, henceforth if he fails to be prompt at bedtime he will not be allowed to go to bed then but will have to sit up in a chair without amusement for exactly one hour.

PARIS TO  
STRIKE A NEW  
SPRING NOTE

PARIS. PIERRE Balmain has included several numbers designed specially for spring-time wear in his mid-season fashion show.

They are simple to an extreme, based on slender pencil lines. Main attention is focused on their sleek and attractive trimmings of crisp polka dot and candy striped cotton and white pique.

High fold-down collars, jabots, matching belts and, sometimes silk scarves, convert simple work-a-day suits and dresses into numbers fit for any Easter parade.

One navy blue wool suit had a navy and white silk polka dot scarf threaded through one revers. It appeared again in a small pouff on the peplum.

Another had a crossover bodice with just one revers of fine navy and white dogtooth check which was repeated in pocket flaps at the hip-line.

Balmain introduces a new bodice and neckline treatment for both day and evening wear. He shows deep-cut boat necklines which merge into a lopsided V just above the left breast. They are set off with three-inch-wide fold-down collars.

## Unusual

The unusual "button fastening" in the bodice starts at the point of the V in front and spirals round to waist-level at the centre back.

This combination was seen in a fog grey taffeta evening dress which had all the skirt fullness bunched at waist-level at the side-back.

Balmain introduces white pique as a trimming for black evening dresses. He sets it around the bust-line of a strapless black velvet princess-lined dress and again on the choker neckline of one of his popular mermaid dresses.

This last was in fine black wool and had the mermaid's tail splaying out from a group of sunny planting set a calf-level at the back. A tremendous bow of steel taffeta provided the hip interest.

## Fishtail-sheath

He first introduced that fishtail-sheath design last May and it has since become popular with many French designers.

Skirts, or saris, play a big part in his designing.

He shows them with many suits and dresses in both contrast and self colours. On a smoke-haze jersey dress, which had good skirt in front and triple inverted pleat at centre back, he sets a bright flat sole the size of a car rug.

Balmain shows a lot of these jersey dresses in grey, pale blue and seagreen.

He makes them with mild swing skirts and a self trim off ribbed wedding—A.P.

Afternoon  
And Evening

By GRACE THORNCLIFFE

MIDNIGHT Blue moire is used for this cocktail and dinner dress designed in the elegant manner. It has a deep square neckline and a draped wrap around skirt with panner hips, a fabric handling that is increasing in popularity as fashions of the cold season crystallize. Worn with it is a safari brown Alaska sealskin cape stole complete with pockets.

## Home Hint

If your family and guests are careless when smoking—don't provide small, shallow ash trays. For safety's sake use the types that are deep enough to hold the burning cigarettes safely until they are extinguished.

Let's Eat  
BY  
IDA BAILEY ALLEN

## Planning a Balanced Diet

"DID they have scientific speakers at the Food Editors' Conference?" asked the Chef.

"There were several sessions and luncheons given over to nutrition," I answered, "which would have been of interest to almost any adult that likes good food."

"Which is everybody," chuckled the Chef.

"However, just what food is 'good' is not always easy to determine. For instance, the other day in a restaurant I saw a very fat woman enjoying a big plate of spaghetti, a salad liberally doused with mayonnaise, and rolls with butter. She finished her meal with a chocolate sundae. All good foods, but not good for her overweight. She ate what she liked because she was not willing to face the fact that excess poundage is a serious health problem. The foods that we 'naturally' select are not always the best for us. Often the natural sense of taste has become dull because of over-smoking or drinking; or from some digestive disturbance. In that case, the foods that taste good to us are those with the most pronounced flavour.

## Basic Food Group

"Dr Charles King, scientific director of the Nutrition Foundation, clearly brought out the fact that knowledge of the basic food group is essential to all homemakers, and that a daily 'balanced diet' includes some foods from each of these groups. And as we all know, nutritional anemia is the most common form. Every homemaker should learn what 'good' food really is. And good food is not necessarily outside the budget. For every expensive food there is a less expensive alternate. I think it is a matter of learning the right combinations.

"The dinners we give in this column are a guide to good dining, at reasonable cost. If our readers will eat fruit, a whole grain or fortified cereal and milk for breakfast, with eggs three times a week; if they will include a little meat, fish, egg or cheese at lunch, with vegetables, plain, stewed or unadorned, fruit, and milk; eat only enriched or whole grain bread; and get enough milk, they will be well fed."

## An Energy Food

"It was covered in the meeting with the Sugar Research Foundation. Sugar is an energy food. It acts in the body as coal acts on a fire, helping to oxidize or burn the fatty food elements. The right amount is essential, otherwise the proteins we eat will be burned up for energy instead of being used for muscle growth and repair."

"But why is the price of fresh fruits and vegetables so high?" persisted the Chef.

## Great Demand

"That is because of the great demand. If we homemakers will buy more reasonable vegetables and

fruits of the homey style, such as turnips, onions, apples and dried fruits, and more tinned vegetables and fruits, it will help prices to drop."

"And what was the menu for the grocery luncheon, Madame?"

## Dinner

Chef's Salad Bowl  
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Lemon Sherbet or "Gel" with  
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Roast Stuffed Shoulder  
Of Lamb

Order a shoulder of lamb trimmed and the bones cracked. Remove excess fat. Prepare a dry stuffing well seasoned with chopped onions and minced meat. Dust the lamb with salt and pepper. Lay on the stuffing, and fasten the meat into shape with skewers or poultry pins, which may be laced together with clean white string. Place in a roasting pan, dust with flour, using about 5 tbsps., and allowing 3 tbsps. to fall on the bottom of the pan. Bake in a hot oven, 450 F., for 15 min. Then reduce the heat to 350 F. and complete the roasting, allowing 20 min. to the pound. Baste occasionally with 1 c. hot water to which a crushed clove or garlic may be added.

## Lemon Sherbet

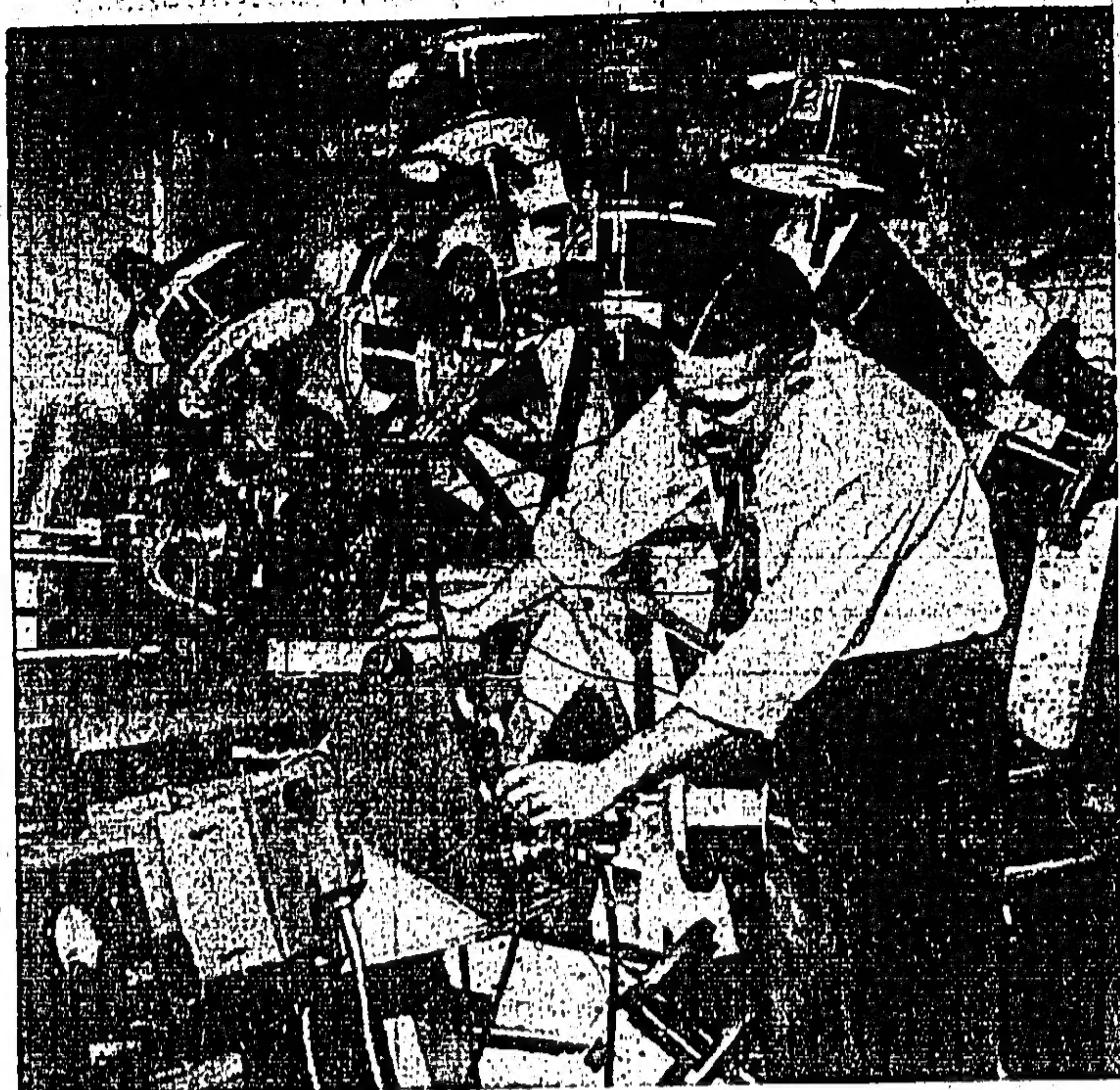
Soften 1/2 tsp. unflavored gelatin 5 min. in 1/4 c. cold milk, then dissolve over steam. Meantime combine 1/2 c. lemon juice, 1-1/3 c. sugar, the grated rind of 1/2 lemon and a few grains salt. Stir occasionally until the sugar dissolves. Add the dissolved gelatin and stir until smooth. Stir in 1 pt. fresh milk or butter-milk. Transfer to a freezer tray and freeze to the depth of an inch around the edge. Scrape into a bowl and beat with a hand beater or electric mixer until light, fluffy and creamy. Return to the freezing tray and freeze until firm, about 1 1/2 hrs. Serve plain, or with a topping of half defrosted raspberries and blueberries.

## Trick Of The Chef

For a super-mint sauce, combine 2 tbsps. crushed dried mint, 1 tbsps. pickle relish and 2/3 c. mild vinegar. Heat with 1 tbsps. powdered sugar until boiling, and chill.



# WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES



**NO LEAKS**—A machine operator checks a cable winding machine in Schenectady, New York, with a detector so sensitive it can spot leaks of infinitesimal size. The cables are being wound for field coils of a giant "atom smasher" still under construction.



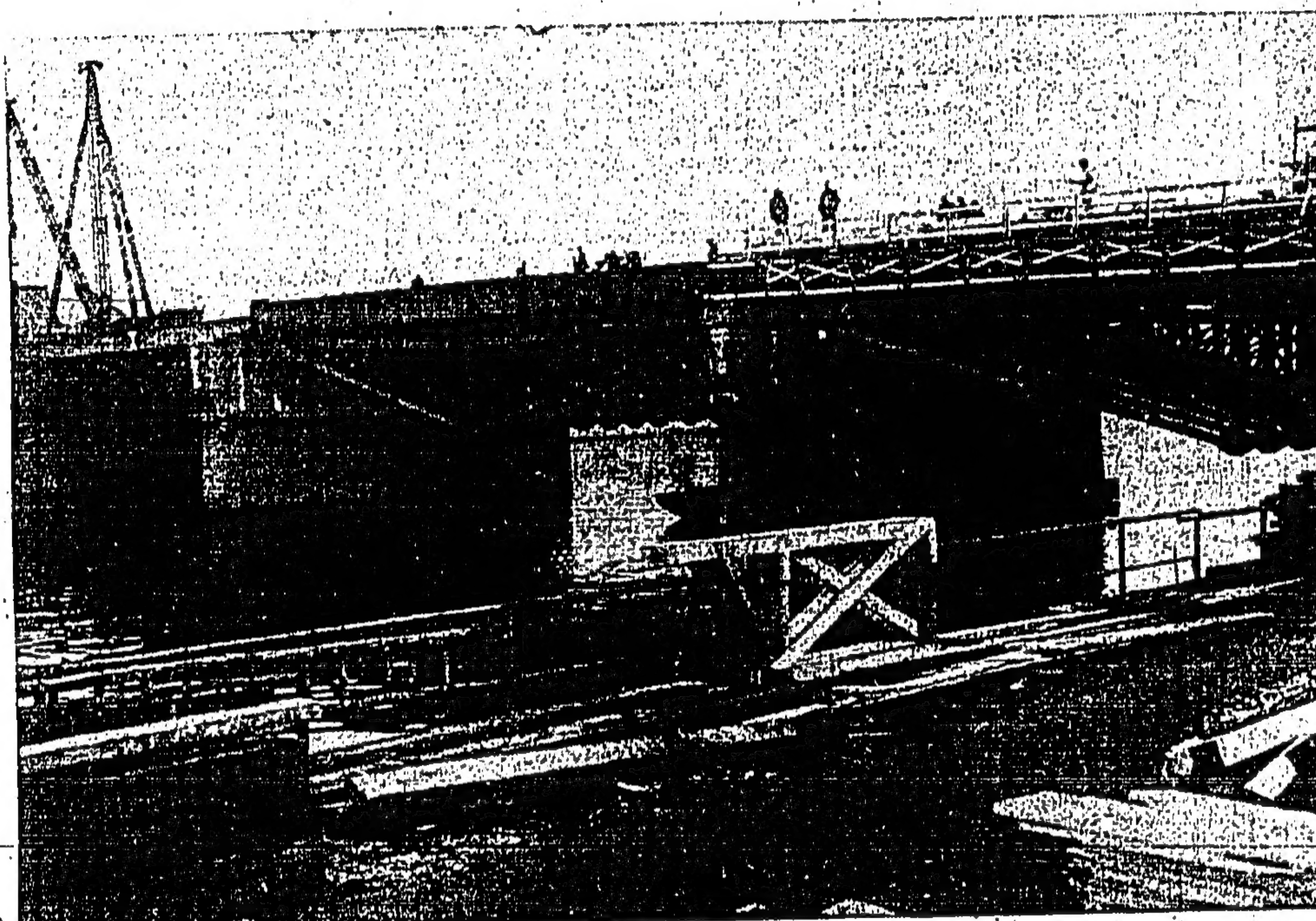
**COMFORTS OF HOME**—A view of the roomy lower-deck lounge planned for the latest in plane travel. These Seattle, Washington, folk take it easy in a lounge seating 14 persons, containing a snack bar and five sight-seeing windows.



**SHE MADE IT**—Polish born Susan Horn exhibits her entry permit upon arrival in New York from London. She will marry Lt. H. K. Ludlow of Seattle, Washington. They met in Vienna in 1947.



**TROPICAL MILKSHAKE**—Bonnie O'Grady of Arlington, Massachusetts, has a snack of coconut milk in Isla Verde, Puerto Rico. The vendor demonstrates his "bottle opener"—a razor-sharp machete.



**COMPLETING SPAN**—Allied airmen knocked this bridge to pieces, together with many other strategic spans across the Main River during 1945. With the extensive rebuilding being done in Frankfurt, this large span at Frankfurt-On-Main, Germany, is almost completely restored.



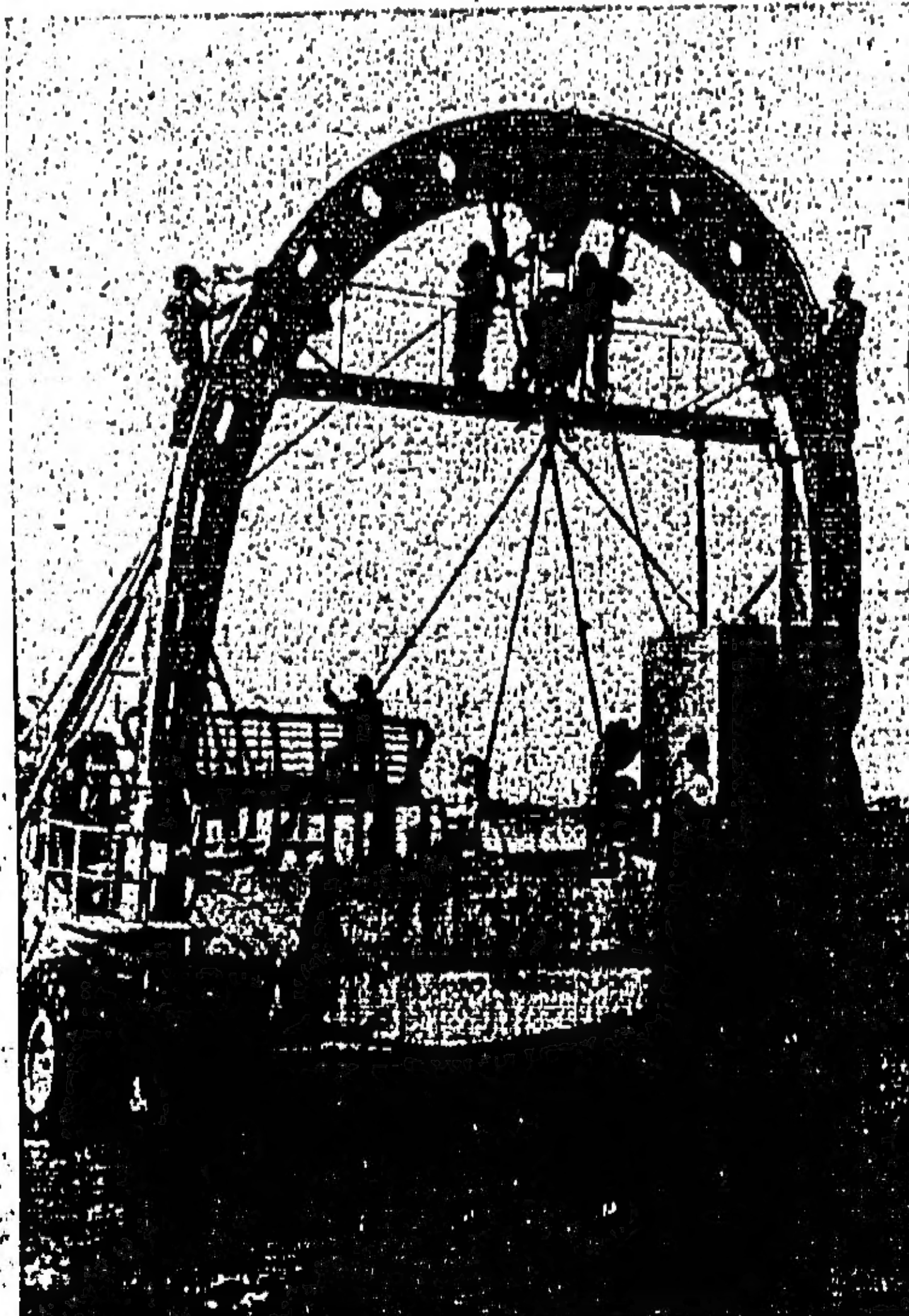
**PHOTOGENIC BEAUTIES**—Irina Stroh, of Beverly Hills, California, and her, selected as the most photogenic in the nation, have something in common. Wearing a chicken feather stole and hat, the California miss is a finalist in the national "Miss Stardust" contest.



**LAW AND ORDER**—Brian Grafe, left, and Jacqueline Naylor are pleased to have a coat tail to steady their escapades on skates. The policeman takes care of children on Westbury Pond in Nassau County, New York.



**THAT KNOWING WINK**—Skater Margie Lee of a New York ice show wears her new crown of "Miss '49 on Ice," as voted by fellow performers.



**STILL ON THE JOB**—United States Navy technicians operate a Gilhoist crane, resembling a giant horseshoe, as it raises a damaged landing craft from the waters off Washington, District of Columbia, for emergency repair. The 19-ton crane is capable of lifting loads up to 75 tons.

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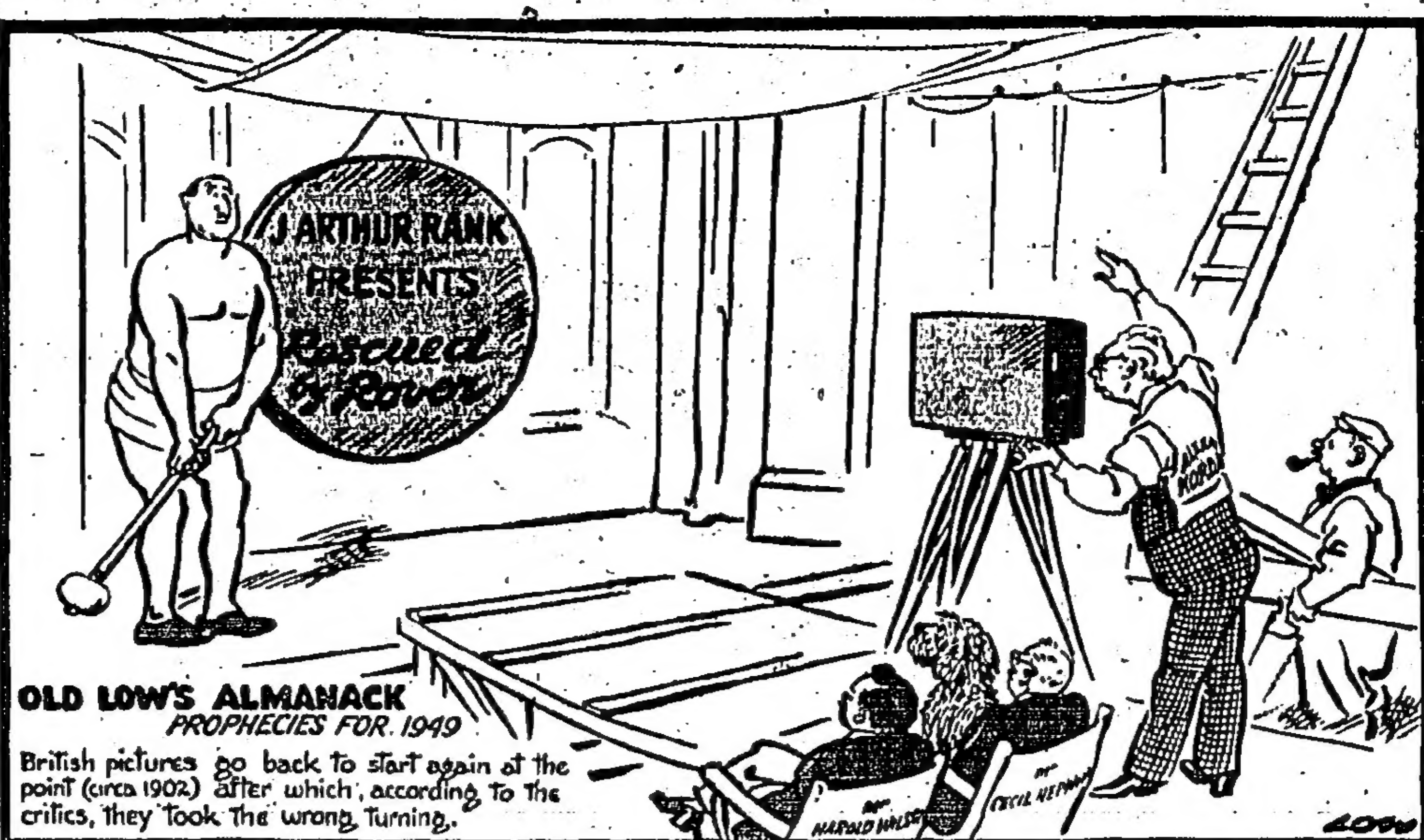
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# Sitting on the Fence

by NATHANIEL GUBBINS

"YOU are becoming a bore," said The Devil to the dead clubman.

"I say," said the dead clubman, "you can't talk to me like that, you know."

"As president of the biggest and best club either in this world or the one you have recently left," said The Devil, "I can say what I like to any member."

"Look here," said the dead clubman, "it really isn't good enough. I was a member of all the best clubs in London and New York—and in most cases an honorary member because of my entertainment value, even though I say it myself."

"You tell a good story with wit, charm, and perfect timing," said The Devil. "You are also a first-class mimic."

"I was always considered rather good at that," said the dead clubman.

"It is a great gift," said The Devil, pouring whisky into another champagne glass while the clubman's back was turned. "But, of course, though highly entertaining, it is a gift you share with parrots and monkeys."

"Now you're being sarky," said the dead clubman.

"It is also a gift which causes a great deal of embarrassment to the victim should he overhear it," said The Devil.

"You should worry about a thing like that," said the dead clubman. "You of all people. Besides, the victim never recognises himself."

"Doesn't he?" asked The Devil. "Moreover," said the dead clubman, "it's not easy to be funny without being unkind to somebody."

"That may be true," said The Devil, "but you're sometimes unkind without being very funny."

"You have just said that I am a first-class mimic and tell a story with wit, charm, and perfect timing," said the dead clubman. "Be fair."

"Your stories are very old," said The Devil.

"They were new when I came down," said the dead clubman.

"Not new to us," said The Devil. "Julius Caesar heard that one you told this morning more than 2,000 years ago. He says even then it was a bit ropey."

"But they all like my imitations," said the dead clubman.

"They all liked Will Shakespeare's imitations," said The Devil. "They all liked them but me."

"Your resignation is accepted," said The Devil, prodding him with a red-hot fork. "Off you go. Perhaps you will meet Mr. Shakespeare and some other funny ex-members."

The wild winds of the limbo caught the dead clubman in giant arms and he went howling into the dark.

## In a safe hotel

"WELL, here we are at last," said Muriel.

"Here we are."

"If this hotel isn't safe from atom bombs I don't know what place will be safe."

"Nor do I."

"How far are we away from London?"

"About five or six hundred miles, I think."

"Five or six hundred miles, you think. Why don't you know for certain? A hundred miles might make all the difference if anything happened."

"I suppose it might."

"I told you to find the best hotel in the Western Highlands as far away from London as possible and you don't even know how far it is. Are there any hotels further away?"

"There are some further north and some on the islands."

"Why didn't you book at one of those?"

"Because they're not first class hotels."

"Oh, I see. Not good enough for my lady Muriel, I suppose?"

"It doesn't matter to me."

"All right, Muriel. I can see you're in one of your moods. 'What about food?'"

"I've brought up a menu."

"I don't mean food for today. I mean food for the future. Are there any salmon rivers?"

"Yes."

"And wild deer?"

"I shouldn't be vague about it, Muriel. If the worst happens ordinary supplies may be destroyed and you may be glad of venison. Have you seen the head waiter?"

"Not yet."

"Well, go and see him at once, and tell him we don't like fish unless it's salmon or turbot."

"Very well."

"And, Muriel."

"Yes?"

"Give him this half-crown and tell him there'll be another next week if he looks after us."

YOUNG people have been advised by the Government to "ask your dad" about conditions of the past, when Socialism was in its infancy and even Liberals were regarded as traitors.

Why not ask your Uncle Nat?

Your Uncle was about ten years old when the Russo-Japanese war started, and was being educated at a London County Council school.

It would have given him great pleasure to repeat the popular old fable of this period (how he drank champagne out of 'actresses' shoes at Romano's), but as he was far too young to be bothered by erotic sublimations of this kind, you must be content with the simple fact that he spent most of his spare time playing marbles in the gutter or being a dangerous little pest in the kitchen baking chestnuts into conkers.

toffee apples and hakey-pokey men; of grobby bags of acid drops, and hot potato men; of real cockneys in bell-bottomed trousers dancing the cockney folk dance outside the public-houses with their Dinahs in high-buttoned boots and ostrich feathers.

To the ten-year-old it was a world full of women wearing leg-o'-mutton sleeves and hats heavy with dead birds; of rich aunts slumming in our front parlour, smelling of eau-de-Cologne and lifting their veils to drink tea; of mufin trays on their heads of easter butchers shouting "Buy, buy, buy" outside their gas-lit shops, and of bands of hungry, haggard men marching through the streets of plenty singing:

We got no work to do—oo—oo—oo,  
We got no work to do—oo—oo,  
We're all starved out,  
Poor labouring men,  
We got no work to do.

The ten-year-old has remembered the words and music all his life.

At the council school some of the boys, including your Uncle, were well-clothed, well-shod, and well-fed.

Many of the others had no overcoats in winter, wore their big brother's boots without stockings, carried their lunch of bread and lard in their pockets, and often showed little cold behinds through the holes in their breeches. There were no free school meals in 1904.

But education was free. And so was religious instruction.

Although it was not a Church school, a clergyman, his pince-nez cruelly pinching his high, arched nose, would sometimes come and sniff us over (we all smelled of wet serge, string, liquorice all-sorts, and bread pudding), and he was generally held responsible for our morning parades when we were lined up in two ranks, like little soldiers, to squeak out a hymn of praise in our cockney trebles:

All good gifts around us  
Are sent from Heaven above,  
So thank the Lord, O what thank the Lord,  
For aw-aw-aw! is love.

Even at that time the ten-year-old wondered what the little bare behinds had to be thankful for.

Party conversation

"If I were that poor Dr. Gallup I simply couldn't hold my head up again after Truman's win."

"Margaret's father thinks the Russians are driven insane by vodka, and believes the whole world situation would change if they switched to whiskey."

"Who are the men who put yards of cotton wool into aspirin bottles?"

"Of course, he's been educated entirely by Readers Digest, and knows everything that doesn't matter."

"If Communists are capable of praying to anybody but Holy Joe they must have prayed for a Deucev victory. An extreme right wing America would have caused enough labour trouble to give them a real chance."

"Some of these American election prophets sound about as clever as the American reporter who came over recently and said we were all dying."

"Margaret's father's idea of world government and world peace is a world whisky control, with every man and woman having a bottle a day."

FINAL INSTALLMENT:

# EISENHOWER WAS MY BOSS

By KAY SUMMERSBY

AT this time, General Eisenhower had no idea of the spectacular acclaim awaiting him in London, Paris, New York, Amsterdam, Prague, Brussels, Washington, Luxembourg, Belfast, Warsaw, Moscow... half the world.

To celebrate the victory, he simply wanted to see—for the first time in three years—a good, light show.

A sudden invitation to appear before the British Cabinet provided the perfect opportunity. Arrangements were made for the long-awaited theatre party, with tickets to "Strike a New Note." General Bradley was invited along as a special guest, as well as Jimmy Gault and I. Happily, the General's son John was in Rheims for a few days' leave from the First Infantry Division, and able to join his father in this social excursion.

The festive air began on the flight over to England. General Eisenhower and I won 100 francs in a bridge game with General Bradley and Jimmy.

Jimmy ran into difficulties with Customs officials at Northolt airfield. They questioned his frank declaration of 18 bottles of champagne. But when he explained, "It's for General Eisenhower's V-E party," the authorities smiled and turned their backs.

We all had lunch at Telegraph Cottage and a champagne buffet that night in General Bradley's suite at the Dorchester Hotel. General Eisenhower had thoughtfully invited my mother and Tony Porter, a WREN friend, Mrs. Gault, and Sir Louis and Lady Gregg.

All of us remarked that our host, resplendent in a tailored summer uniform, looked boyishly happy.

## Big Ovation

WHEN he appeared in the box at the Prince of Wales Theatre, the entire audience rose to its feet and almost shouted the roof off with un-English abandon. They cheered, whistled, stomped, and applauded until, bowing to cries of "Speech!" he leaned on the rail and signalled for quiet.

The General spoke briefly, emphasising his delight at being back in England. "It's nice," he grinned. "To be back in a country where I can almost speak the language!"

Our next stop was Ciro's. The General said he might be criticised for stealing a little personal fun, but he didn't care; this was his first night out, and he had waited a long time for it. He clung tightly to his chair throughout the evening, dancing impartially with all us women, completely free from any thought of the war just over or the peace just beginning. He glowed when the orchestra played "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow."

That night was the only time in his entire war career when I ever saw General Eisenhower completely relaxed, thoroughly enjoying himself, without a care or a wrinkle of worry. The other people, bless their English hearts, sensed his feelings and gave him a maximum of privacy. Most of the time he was just another customer, although happier than most.

He and John exchanged meaningful looks when the band played an Eisenhower request, "One Dozen Roses." It was a heartfelt tribute to Mrs. Eisenhower, expressing a wish she could have been there, too.

General Eisenhower's quiet little V-E celebration ended about 2.30 in the morning.

## Victory Month

HE was up in time to attend the Cabinet meeting and to lunch with Mr. and Mrs. Churchill. We returned to the Continent immediately afterwards.

Appropriately, Supreme Headquarters moved on into Germany before the so-called "victory month" of May was over. And most of us found the city of Frankfurt very German and very devastated, just as we had expected.

As the summer wore on, headquarters life as we had known it during the war disappeared entirely.

To provide the General with a little social life, without the obligations of formal society, we occasionally had him and a few intimates over to our WAC house for dinner and an evening of bridge. Several times a week, and I went horseback riding following "doctor" orders that the General get more exercise.

Early in September, we made a trip to Austria to see General Clark for the first time since Caserta. He and General Ike hiked off to a mountain hunting lodge for some long-awaited fishing.

On that same trip, we visited Berchtesgaden. I thought the occasion especially noteworthy when, atop the mountain, General Eisenhower spotted a big sign, "Eagle's Nest—Officers Only." His neck and cheeks flamed, but, unlike Patton, he made no scene.

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By Ernie Bushmiller

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## Evidence Of Arrest Given In PWD Larceny Trial

Evidence of the arrest of Austin Spary, electrical inspector and Kwok Kwong, foreman, both of the PWD, was given by acting ASP J. Johnston this morning at the Criminal Sessions, where Spary and Kwok are on trial before Mr Justice Reynolds.

Kwok and Spary face nine charges of larceny by public servant, one of obtaining money by false pretences from the steward of the Kowloon Bowling Green Club, and one of conspiracy to defraud the Government of money.

## Extortion Hearing Continues

Three of the four accused on trial before Mr Justice Reynolds at the Criminal Sessions on extortion charges were this morning identified by a prosecution witness as having made demands for money.

The witness, Fung Yuk, wife of Ho Luk, master of the Ah Tung Electrical Shop, No. 181 Cheungsham Road, was giving evidence at the trial of three wardens attached to Victoria Remand Prison, Timothy Din, 29, Gussy Maria dos Santos, 26, and Sapto Ahmed, 20, and an ex-warder, Jose Maria Dias Azedo.

The four men are charged on a total of 11 counts of demanding money with menaces, corruption in office, and conspiracy.

The prosecution's case alleged that the accused, on the pretence that they were in a position to prevent Ho Luk, arrested for receiving stolen property on August 1, 1948, and detained at Victoria Remand Prison from August 7 onwards, from being assaulted, obtained various sums of money from Ho's wife and other people known to him.

Fung Yuk, who began her evidence yesterday, when she alleged that all the accused had made certain demands, told the Court this morning that on the occasion she paid \$40 to the three accused, who wrote his number on a piece of paper and then left.

On August 15, the second accused, Santos, appeared and handed her two pieces of paper. Witness asked a fook, Chan Yau-hing, to translate their contents to her. The fook's requests for \$40. Witness told Santos that she did not have that amount on her, but at that moment a woman friend, Li San-ho, arrived, and witness borrowed \$5, the only money Li had, from her and gave it to Santos. He accepted the money without saying anything. Before he left, witness told him to return the next day for the balance. The same day witness showed the two fooks to another fook, Ho Shing, and told him where they came from. The next day, several policemen came to the shop. Witness handed the Police \$30 in three \$10 banknotes, and these were later returned to her.

**ACCEPTED \$30**

On August 18, Santos made another appearance, and asked for \$40. Witness told him she had only \$30, and handed him the three banknotes she had passed to the Police two days before. Santos took the money and put it into his breast pocket. Witness asked him for his number, and Santos wrote it down on a piece of paper and handed it to her. At that moment, two detectives who had concealed themselves in the shop made their presence known and took Santos into custody. The next day, witness said, she attended an identification parade at Victoria Remand Prison, and there picked out the first and third accused.

Asked by Crown Counsel, Mr M. Heenan, who prosecuted, why she had made the payments to the men, witness replied that she had learned from her husband during her visits to him in the Remand Prison that if anyone asked for money she was to pay up so that he would not be assaulted.

Cross-examined by first accused, witness affirmed that \$50 had been given him by her fook in her previous visit to the shop. She agreed that the money had been handed over with identification of the recipient, and explained that she would have handed money over to anyone who claimed to be from Victoria Remand Prison because she did not want her husband assaulted during his detention.

Witness also admitted she had visited her husband at the Remand Prison and had been informed there by him of the threats to assault him. She declared she made no report to the Prison Superintendent or to anyone else because of fear of the consequences to her husband.

The other accused questioned witness regarding the times of the visits they were, alleged to have made to the shop, and said they could not have been there at the times mentioned because they were then on duty, or due back at the Prison for duty.

The trial is proceeding.

## Tory MP For Palestine

London, Jan. 25.—Mr Walter Elliott, Conservative Member of Parliament and former Minister of Health, is to leave for Palestine tomorrow by air "to study conditions on the spot."

He will stay in Palestine for a week or 10 days.—Reuter.

## Outrages Against Britons In Suez Canal Zone

London, Jan. 25.—Sir John Graham Kerr, Conservative, asked the War Secretary, Mr Emanuel Shinwell, in the House of Commons today if he was aware of outrages against Europeans in the Suez Canal Zone, culminating in a young officer being stripped and left for dead.

He asserted that the enclosure of the wives and children of British troops within barred wire defences had caused indignation, and asked for a reinforcement of the European police.

Mr Shinwell replied that he knew of the attack on the officer and of a few other isolated assaults.

The enclosure of the wives and children within the perimeter of their camp, he said, was a security measure designed for their protection. Even if more police were available, complete safety could not be guaranteed against attacks outside the camps.—Reuter.

## Security Council Again Puts Off Indonesian Decision

Lake Success, Jan. 25.—The United Nations Security Council again deferred action on the Dutch-Indonesian quarrel today as the Asia conference nations stepped up their campaign to toughen the American-inspired settlement proposal.

Egypt, India and the Philippines, criticising the four-nation resolution as far too easy on the Dutch, urged the Council to take sterner action along the lines laid down by the unprecedented 19-nation New Delhi meeting on Monday.

United Nations observers predicted that the resolute campaign of the Asia conference nations would open the way for some amendments bolstering the proposal, put forward jointly by the United States, Norway, Cuba and China.

The Egyptian delegate, Mahmoud Fawzi Bey, accused the Council of "excessive leniency" toward the Netherlands and it was reported that Egypt might bring in toughening amendments when the Council resumed the debate on the Indonesian tangle on Thursday morning.

In any case, despite the Egyptian attack on the current draft and whatever the fate of any amendments, it was considered likely that Egypt would in the end back the four-nation plan and assure it of the seven votes needed for passage.

Mr Vassily Tarsenko, of the Ukraine, sharply attacked the whole proposal, calling it a "resolution of capitulation."

American delegation sources remained confident that the proposed resolution would pass when it finally reached the vote—perhaps on Thursday.

It was expected that the Ukraine would vote against it and that Russia, Argentina and France would abstain, leaving the plan with just enough supporters to pass.

The Egyptian delegate urged the Council to give the Committee of Good Offices power to "order" Dutch troop withdrawals from Republican territory instead of merely "recommending" withdrawals as provided in the blueprint as it now stands.

Sir Benegal Rau, of India, paid particular attention to the four-nation time-table for transferring sovereignty of the Dominion type to the United States of Indonesia by July 1, 1950. He urged instead that the Council adopt the Asia

conference schedule for granting independence to the Indonesians by January 1, 1950.

Sir Benegal warned the Dutch that they had no right to win when the 19 nations of the Asia conference and the United States Government and public opinion are behind the guerrillas.—United Press.

## EISENHOWER WAS MY BOSS

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Instead, he turned quietly to the conducting officer and said grimly: "Remove that sign, now."

A group of eight-seating GI's cheered so loudly their voices must have echoed into Italy.

When Ambassador and Kathy Harriman arrived in Germany with a few extra days on hand before a conference in London, General Eisenhower directed me to take them to the villa in Cannes. He himself was off on a trip to Rome and Venice, but promised to join us shortly.

The day of his expected arrival, there was no sign of a message from either Frankfurt or General Clark's headquarters.

Late that afternoon, the two of them rolled up to the villa in a car—bouncing mad.

I got the worst bowling out of my wartime career for not having transportation at the airfield. General Clark's aide suffered a general-aching, equally vehement. Yet neither of us, being in the Army, could explain there had been no message informing us of the Generals' arrival. And they weren't interested in any explanations. So the other aide and I just stood and took it.

**QUITE FROSTY**

Dinner was quite frosty that evening. Both Generals went off to bed early. An "after" from the Marseille headquarters joined Clark's aide and me in an old-fashioned gripe session. When General Eisenhower came down later, apparently unable to sleep, I knew he wanted to join us for bridge or mere conversation. But he all simply stood stiffly, answering his questions with respectful monosyllables—until he trudged back up to bed, to nurse burning ears.

General Ike had more transportation troubles when he left us and arrived in Paris. The officer with him called Army headquarters for a car, but the transportation office failed to answer the telephone. He tried several other offices, without success. It was lunchtime in Paris. Finally, a sleepy colonel answered.

"Give me that 'phone," General Eisenhower demanded. "And don't tell him who's calling a voice boom in his ear." This is General Eisenhower!

Bemused, the colonel sighed: "Yes, God? This is Saint Peter!" I doubt if that colonel ever looked on the telephone again.

While General Eisenhower was in the grand-daddy of all tempers—General Patton had made his worst and final mistake.

Everyone who could read a newspaper knew the Third Army commander had sounded off on the Germans—in a favourable way which only Patton could devise.

**NICEST PRESENT**

When General Patton came in, followed by Beetle, the office door closed. But I heard one of the stormiest sessions ever staged in our headquarters. It was the first time I ever heard General Eisenhower really raise his voice.

General Patton was relieved of command of the Third Army, shifted to the Fifteenth "paper Army."

On the last day of October, Ike gave me the nicest present of the war. He was on his way to his plane, headed for Washington on official business.

I took out my first papers towards becoming an American citizen. Arriving back in Germany after the short trip, I found the General packing. He was taking over from General Marshall, who had postponed his retirement in order to carry out a Presidential assignment in China.

"I'm going to Washington tomorrow," General Ike said as I entered the office. "But I'll be back." He didn't come back.

(THE END)

## ECA Plane Flies Into Peiping

By SPENCER MOOSA

Peiping, Jan. 25.—An ECA plane loaded of medical supplies arrived today for free distribution to hospitals and clinics in this Communist controlled city.

The supplies, consisting mainly of penicillin and sulphadiazine, will be distributed by an ECA panel of Chinese doctors.

The plane, which was chartered by ECA from the China National Aviation Corporation, did not bear the usual CNAC insignia.

Captain Raymond Bowes, the American who piloted the plane here from Shanghai via Tientsin, said this was because it was under ECA charter.

In Peiping, all Nationalist army and ammunition were being concentrated in depots for handing over to the Communists, who are still pulling wires from behind the scenes.

The Reds apparently do not intend to come into the open until the joint administrative committee consisting of four Reds and three Nationalists is formally installed.

Various Nationalist organisations, such as the Chinese Government Information Office, are still under their original direction.

J. C. Sun, who was appointed director of this office when the siege began, is in a plight which typifies that of many other officials. He has so far not received any funds to pay himself and his staff, who consequently face a bleak Chinese New Year.

The censors are still those which the Nationalists appointed when they took over. They are still quite lackadaisical about their work.

They take three or four hours for lunch or dinner, while correspondents fume and fret and their messenger boys wait restlessly.

A Nationalist official apologised for them by saying, "Of course they are demoralised. I suppose we all are."

Communist currency has yet to make its appearance in Peiping itself, though it circulates freely outside the city.

Dealings in United States currency, gold bullion and silver dollars have been brisk since cease-fire day, January 22, with wide and rapid fluctuations.

Everyone is trying to guess what rates of exchange the Communists will establish, and every rumour on this subject, of which there are several score a day, disturbs the market.

Many different types of Communist currency are in circulation in Hopei Province, and as each has a different value, confusion is very great.—Associated Press.

## China Peace Pessimism

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The Foreign Ministry statement said: "With reference to the transfer of the seat of the government southwards, the Foreign Office, in accordance with the decision of the government, sent identical notes this evening to all Foreign Embassies and Legations in Peking."

The spokesman declined to elaborate on his short-voiced statement whether Canton would be the seat of the government and whether the notes simply informed the diplomats of the government decision to move or also asked them specifically to move too.

It was known, however, that Canton was selected as the new seat of the government and Foreign Embassies and Legations were notified to shift there.—United Press.

**AIRLINES MAY RESUME**

Shanghai, Jan. 25.—The Chinese airlines are seriously contemplating the resumption of services between Communist-held Peiping and Shanghai in response to a "radio message from the people of Peiping," according to the China Press today quoting official quarters.

Inquiries at the airline offices elicited the information that the request for the restoration of the Peiping-Shanghai service was radiated here by civic representatives in the northern city.

The message assured the airlines "full protection" and no "interference" by the Communist military headquarters in Peiping.

One airline is said to be planning a "test flight" to Peiping "as soon as suitable radio communications" are restored there. Airline officials here indicated it appeared that the Communists would permit the use of the captured west field of Peiping for the resumption of the regular service.

The airfield was previously employed as a major airline base in North China.—Reuter.

## Jap Scientists' Reports For NZ

Tokyo, Jan. 25.—A total of 140 papers prepared by Japanese scientists will be presented by Allied Headquarters representatives at the seventh Pacific Science Congress of the Pacific Science Association, convening in Auckland and Christchurch, New Zealand, on February 2.

Four scientists of General MacArthur's Headquarters left here today, accompanied by four officers of the 2143rd air weather wing.

The conference will be attended by representatives of 53 nations in and around the Pacific basin or by those nations with colonies within that area.—United Press.

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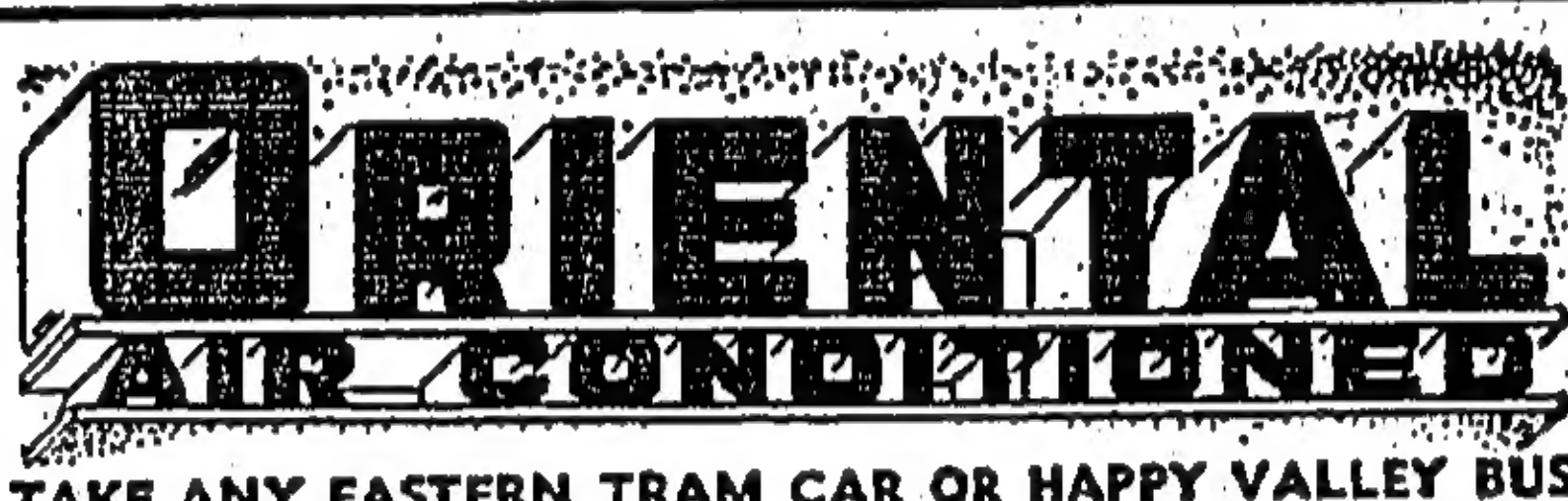
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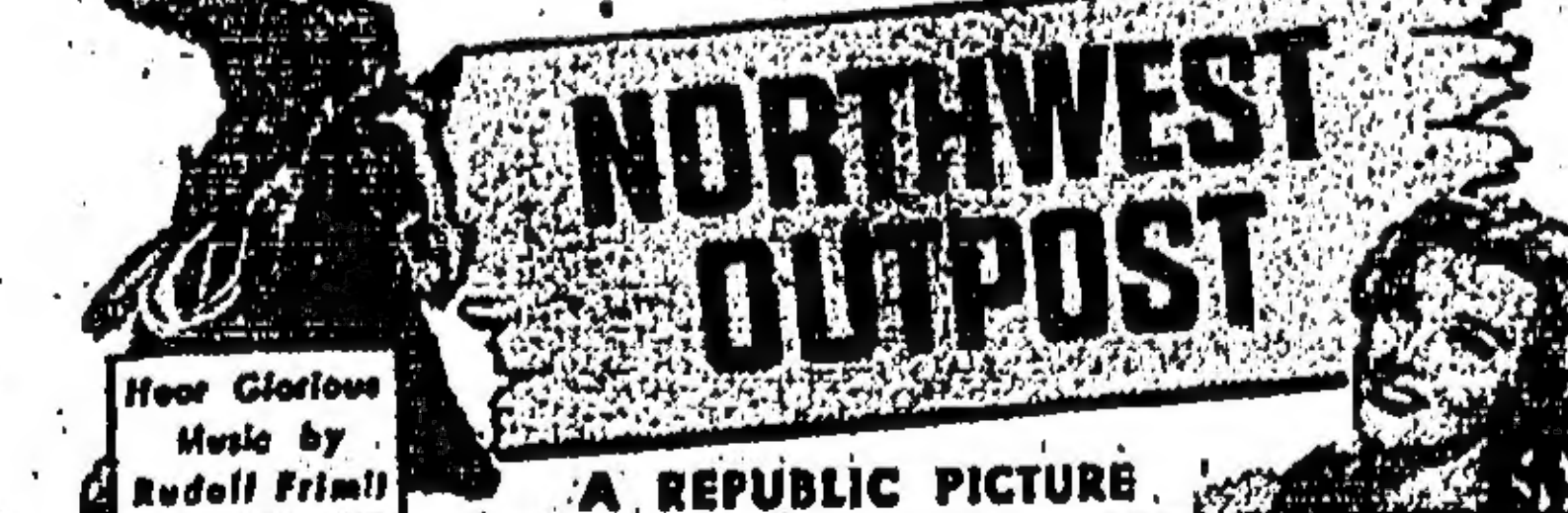


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Radio Hongkong

New York, Jan. 25.—The German pianist, Walter Gieseking, left here on an Air France plane for Paris, 45 minutes before the deadline set for his departure by the Immigration authorities.

Asked by reporters if he was disappointed at returning without a pocketful of dollars, Gieseking said, "I can earn enough in Europe."

He added, however, that he had never been so badly treated in any other country.

"They have been asking for concerts everywhere—in South America, Scandinavia, Portugal, Holland. This is the first time I have not been treated as an artist," United Press.

H.K.T. Programme Summary: 6.01, Children's Story: "Through the Looking Glass" by Lewis Carroll. Episode 1: "Look into the Garden and the Orchard." 6.30, Peter Valdermann at the Piano (Studio); 7.00, World News and News Analysis (London Relay); 7.15, "Wednesday Night at 7.15" (Studio); 7.30, Jay Wilbur and His Ensemble (Studio); 8.00, "From the Strings—15" (London Relay); 8.10, Interlude; 8.15, "It's in the Air" Variety Hour; 8.30, "The Occupation Station" (Studio); 9.15, A Talk by Jack Lunn, "Germany and her Place in Europe" No. 2: "The Occupation Station" (Studio); 9.30, "Turbo-Jet" The Story of Air-Commodore Whittle's Invention of the Jet Propulsion (Studio); 10.00, Radio Newcast (London Relay); 10.15, Weather Report; 10.18, "Analogy" presented by Glynis Davies (Studio); 10.45, "Nothing but Music" Sidney Torch and the Queen's Hall Light Orchestra (ORSB); 11.15, "Weather Report and Close Down."



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# Mr Bevin Puts The Marshall Plan Record Straight

## NOT AIMED AGAINST THE SOVIET UNION

London, Jan. 25.—There was never any idea behind the Marshall Plan to create a means in which "we could build a force to defeat the Soviet Government some day in the future," Mr Ernest Bevin, the Foreign Secretary, told a luncheon of the Foreign Press Association in London today.

"I was extremely sorry that the Russians could not see or seize the opportunity that the Marshall Plan and the subsequent developments of a European group offered to the peace of the world," he said.

Raising his voice, the Foreign Secretary said: "They seem to assume that all we were doing was trying to create a kind of barrier or a means by which we could build a force to defeat the Government some day in the future."

"Now I assert with all solemnity that that never entered our heads. Our one object was to give happiness, contentment and a decent standard of life to the masses of Europe who had suffered from the terrible attack that had been made upon it."

Declaring that the Organisation of European Economic Co-operation was not merely a committee for the Marshall Plan, Mr Bevin said it was a "continuing organisation intended to go on after the United States assistance had ended."

"I am not going to claim that we all agree about the four-year plan and that everything is rosy," he said. "But I am quite convinced that we are creating what I call a European mentality instead of a French, British, Scandinavian and Dutch mentality."

### ONE ENTITY

"If Europe is to be saved, it has to be in the end one entity and it must be together."

There were two ways of achieving this, Mr Bevin said. One was poli-

tical and functional. "If they could get transport and basic industries on a European basis, they could go a long way to creating the economic situation that made a political union possible."

Denying the assumption of "a lot of disturbed minds" that Britain was opposed to European Unity, Mr Bevin said with emotion that he would regard it, if his health spared him, as the crowning event of his life to establish European Unity on a sound, definite and progressive basis.

What he wanted to avoid was "a mere talking shop for passing resolutions."

Mr Bevin said: "What I want is a practical organism, in Europe in which we shall cease to be English and French, cease to be English and Italian, cease to be English and Belgian, but will be European, with an organism that can carry out a European policy in the face of the new development in the world."

"I appeal to all my friends in Europe that if we give Europe a new organism, let it be a real organism that will not lead to further disillusionment."

"We must not fall again in Western Europe in any organism that we create," he said.

### ACCEPTS OFFER

London, Jan. 25.—The Foreign Secretary, Mr Ernest Bevin, today accepted President Truman's offer to help all backward areas of the world and appealed to all nations to pool their resources in a Marshall Plan for colonial areas.

In an address to the Foreign Press Association, Mr Bevin said the answer to Communism was providing a good standard of life, happiness and association with Western civilisation.

A year ago Mr Bevin, in an address to the same group, converted the Harvard speech of the then Secretary of State, Mr George Marshall, into the Marshall Plan for European recovery.

Today, he attempted to convert Mr Truman's inaugural address on backward areas.

He opened his address with a reference to incidents of a year ago which had led to the Marshall Plan. Then at the end, he referred to Mr Truman's proposal to embark on a "bold new programme" for underdeveloped parts of the world.

"Argument is not the answer to Communism—a good standard of living and happiness in association with the Western world is the best answer that we can make," said Mr Bevin.

The Secretary then said he was sure he could speak for all the countries now responsible for the underdeveloped.

"We welcome Mr Truman's statement and we will throw into the pool all resources that we have at our command. I welcome Mr Truman's assurance that American wealth and skill will be thrown into the pool and that pool will be used in such a way that we can preserve our civilisation," United Press.

"Although these events are very big and dangerous I hope the country will be reassured that the storm is probably passed."

General Smuts criticised the Government's intention of abolishing the native representation in the Assembly and removing coloured voters from the voters' roll.

He said the argument was that Parliament, under sovereign legislative powers, repeal the South Africa Act without a two-thirds majority.

The South Africa Act was not a British act, but the most solemn one South Africa had ever passed and it was surrounded by sentiment and feeling, he said. It was a matter of good faith and South Africa's honour and should be prized as the work of South African statesmen.

The debate on the no-confidence motion is expected to last four days.—Reuter.

## Mountain Expedition Not Yet Arranged

Oslo, Jan. 25.—M. Homming Teeneberg, President of the Norwegian Mountaineering Club, said today that reports of a Norwegian expedition to attempt to climb the 29,020-foot Nanga Parbat in 1950 were "over-hasty."

Administrative difficulties involved were great, and no arrangements have as yet been discussed, he added. Despite the eagerness of many Norwegian climbers, such an expedition was unlikely.—Reuter.

## Odom Fails In Non-Stop Flight Attempt



Bill Odom steps from his light plane at the Oakland, California, airport after being forced to abandon his non-stop flight from Honolulu to New York because of a gasoline shortage. He nevertheless set a new non-stop record for light planes.—AP Picture.

## Philosophy Behind Pres. Truman's Domestic Programme Is Explained

Washington, Jan. 25.—The Secretary of Commerce, Mr Charles Sawyer, said today that Business has nothing to worry about from the new Truman Administration unless "it is afraid of no more years of prosperity."

The philosophy behind President Truman's programme, Mr Sawyer said in an exclusive interview, is to achieve co-operation between government and business that will insure maintenance of healthy economic prosperity.

He added: "Of course, we cannot expect that in the common effort various segments will not be asked to make some sacrifices. We have to have taxes to pay our way. A certain amount of controls are due in order to protect our economy and there should be continuation of the voluntary agreements programme."

Mr Sawyer was scheduled to testify before the Senate Banking Committee later today on extending the government's authority to workout voluntary allocation agreements with industry. The Secretary wants this authority to be continued as an interim measure until Congress passes legislation giving the President power to allocate scarce materials.

The present programme, which is due to expire on February 28, permits industries to agree among themselves on allocating scarce goods and grants them immunity from the anti-trust laws.

### NO PUNITIVE TAXATION

As for taxes, Mr Sawyer said the President will leave it up to Congress to decide how the additional revenue is to be raised. But in any case he was sure Mr Truman has no idea of punitive taxation in mind.

What about the business outlook? "Some soft spots are showing up," Mr Sawyer added. "But certainly there is no reason to believe a general decline is in prospect. There is continuing demand. Perhaps, some letdown in tempo is desirable rather than a cause for alarm."

Mr Sawyer said business activity appears to be in a "sort of levelling off process."

"After all we have been driving ahead hard since the end of the war and sometimes we get a little farther ahead than we should," he said.

He said he had heard "gossip" that business is "lying down" because of dissatisfaction with the Administration. He insisted however, he had seen "no such evidence."

Mr Sawyer concluded: "I think business has behaved all right. It has been co-operative. It has worked hard, has gone along with the times, paid taxes and produced tremendously."—United Press.

### POCKET CARTOON



## DEFENCE UNION TALKS FAIL

Stockholm, Jan. 25.—Swedish Parliamentary circles today considered that the Scandinavian defence talks in Copenhagen had failed, despite last night's communique, because the Swedes and Norwegians could not agree on the terms for an approach to the United States and Britain.

According to these sources, the Norwegians insisted that the Nordic countries should ask Britain and the United States for:

1.—The right to buy Anglo-American arms in peace-time.

2.—Anglo-American military aid if any of the three countries should be attacked.

3.—Collaboration between Scandinavia and the prospective North Atlantic Pact, signalling without the establishment in Scandinavia of peace-time bases by those nations.

### SWEDISH ATTITUDE

The Swedes, on the other hand, while emphasising their readiness to declare war on any country which attacked Norway or Denmark, said they would not ask the United States and Britain for guarantees linking the Nordic countries with "any group of great powers."

For this reason they wanted to ask Britain and America only for the right to make peace-time weapons purchases from them.

The Norwegian Foreign Minister, M. Halvar Lange, said in a broadcast today that the talks were not intended to come to any definite decisions but were meant to be "purely for information."

In an interview with a Norwegian State broadcasting representative in Copenhagen, M. Lange stated that an agreement was reached on many points, but there were considerable differences of opinion on the conditions for, and consequences of, a possible Scandinavian defence union.

The three powers decided that if no agreement was reached at the final meeting of Premier, Defence and Foreign Ministers in Oslo on January 29, each responsible Government would have to make its own decisions on security and defence.—Reuter.



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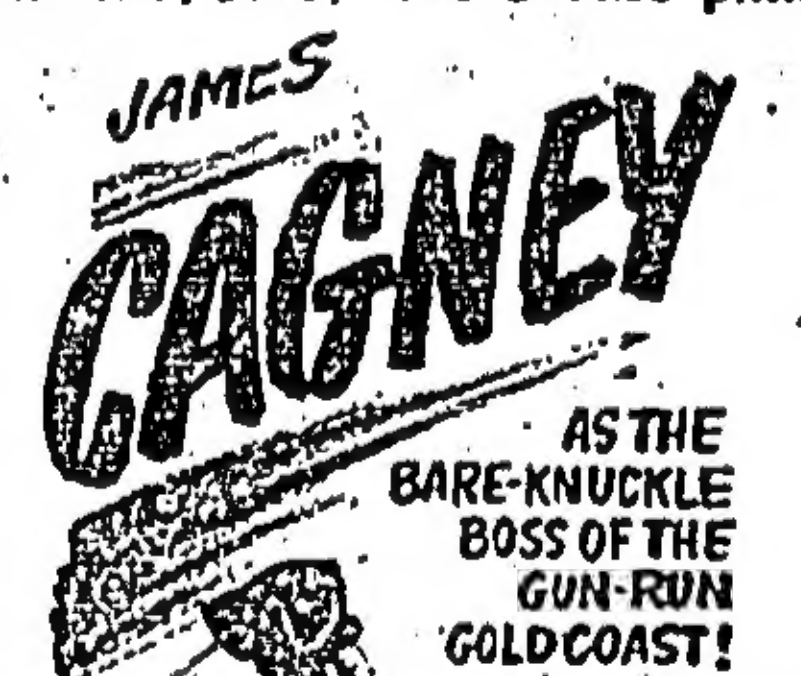
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